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Attention: Mr Simon Truong

Dear Ms Watson

## **Request for SEARs for Commercial Buildings in Australian Technology Park**

Thank you for your letter dated 8 October 2015 requesting our input to the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the above proposal. Transport for NSW (TfNSW) further note the email received on 14 October 2015 clarifying the scope of the proposal.

Although the site is located in an established precinct with good access to public transport, the addition of commercial development should seek to support the use of these services and minimise the use of private vehicles. In that regard, TfNSW recommends the following changes to the draft SEARs.

Add to the end of the second dot point:

 and, that parking rates support the shift to public transport use and sustainable travel choices

Revise the third dot point to specify greater detail on travel choice initiatives.

 Demonstrate how the development will support Government strategies in promoting sustainable travel choices, for its future staff and visitors. The EIS should determine the adequacy of pedestrian and cycle facilities to meet the likely future demand of the proposed development and give consideration of measures to be implemented. This should include, but not limited to, green travel plans, car sharing, pedestrian and bicycle linkages (especially to public transport stations and stops within 1km radius of the site), end of trip facilities, and bicycle parking facilities that are secure, convenient, accessible areas close to main entries incorporating lighting and passive surveillance.

Amend and separate the fourth dot point to provide separate construction and operational transport and accessibility assessment.

 Prepare a Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) to determine the traffic and transport impacts (including bus services and infrastructure) of the proposed development on the road network including the capacity of nearby intersections, the need for mitigation measures such as road improvement works and improved pedestrian and cycle linkages. The assessment will need to detail the pedestrian, cycle, vehicular traffic and public transport demand forecast to be generated by each component of the development, with consideration of the cumulative impacts from other approved developments. It should also include details on servicing vehicle movements and service vehicle access, delivery and loading arrangements.

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Detail the traffic and transport impacts (including bus services and infrastructure)during
construction and how these will be mitigated including the preparation of a preliminary
Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP). The plan should detail the access and
parking arrangements for workers and the proposed transport of materials to/from the site
during construction, including the type of construction vehicles, haulage routes, hours of
operation, access arrangements, traffic control and proposed locations for handling
materials; and identifies the duration of any impacts and specify the mitigation measures
proposed.

Furthermore, TfNSW has an ongoing interest in investigating potential new links across the rail line for pedestrians, cyclists and public transport in this vicinity. Consultation with TfNSW during the preparation of the EIS should be undertaken to investigate such links with the ATP.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact James Li on 02 8202 2179 or james.li@transport.nsw.gov.au. Further notifications for this proposal should be emailed to development@transport.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

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